

REMARKS:

The Office communication of November 5, 2004, necessitated the amendment of the Specification by requiring that text be removed from the drawings. The text added to the Specification is not new matter as it was part of the drawings (part of the original disclosure).

Applicants respectfully acknowledge the allowance of claims 1 – 5, 10 – 12, and 19 – 22.

Applicants have corrected the drawings by removing as much text as possible without limiting the depictions of the processes. Please see the attached Annotated Sheets which show the changes to the drawings (Sheets 1 – 7).

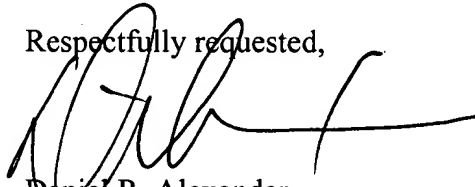
Applicants respectfully request approval of the Replacement Sheets for sheets 1 – 7 (FIGS. 1A – 6) as they are the best that Applicants can provide, they comply with the drawing rules, and they contain as few words as possible. Applicants are entitled to use some words in the drawings especially when describing, for example, a process by means of a flow diagram. Applicants respectfully request that Replacement Sheets 1 – 7 be accepted and that original sheets 8 – 11 (FIGS. 7 – 10) be accepted.

Applicants respectfully believe this to be a complete and proper reply to the Office communication, and that the present application is in condition for allowance. An action to that effect is earnestly solicited.

To any extent required for acceptance of this paper, authorization is hereby provided to charge any fee required for acceptance of this paper to Deposit Account 04-0500.

Respectfully requested,

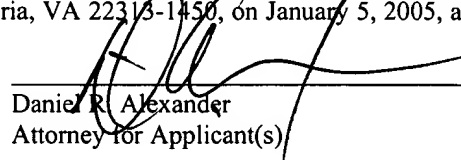
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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that this correspondence with attached corrected drawings (Sheets 1 – 7) and Annotated Drawings (Sheets 1 – 7) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 5, 2005, along with a postcard receipt.

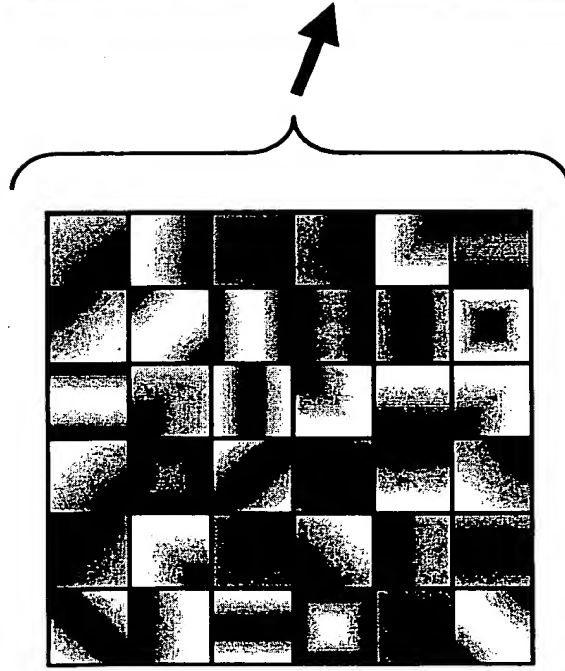


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Annotated Sheet

EXAMPLE OF HOW THE ~~INDIVIDUAL PATTERN/COLOR~~
COMBINATIONS OF THE INVENTION ARE INSTALLED RANDOMLY

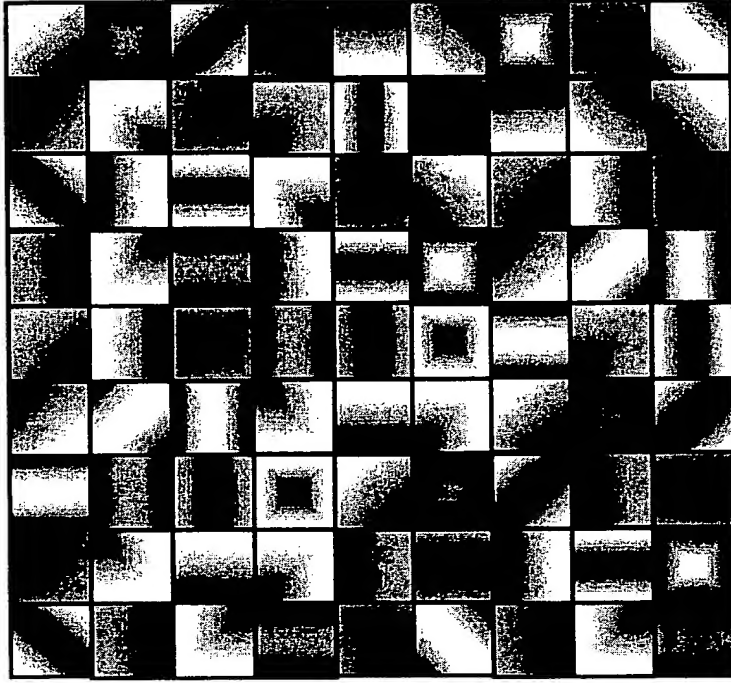


36 ORIGINAL
PATTERNS
AND COLORS

NOTE: THE NUMBER OF ORIGINAL PATTERNS
AND COLORS IS NOT LIMITED TO 36.

NOTE: THE INVENTION IS NOT LIMITED TO THE
PATTERNS SHOWN WHICH ARE FOR EASE OF
DEMONSTRATION ONLY.

FIG. -1A-



RANDOMLY
INSTALLED
AT JOB SITE

FIG. -1B-

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Annotated Sheet

LIFE CYCLE OF CONVENTIONAL TILE ~~ALL SAME PATTERN AND COLOR~~ FROM
USE AS A NEW PRODUCT THROUGH ~~USE AS A RENEWED PRODUCT~~

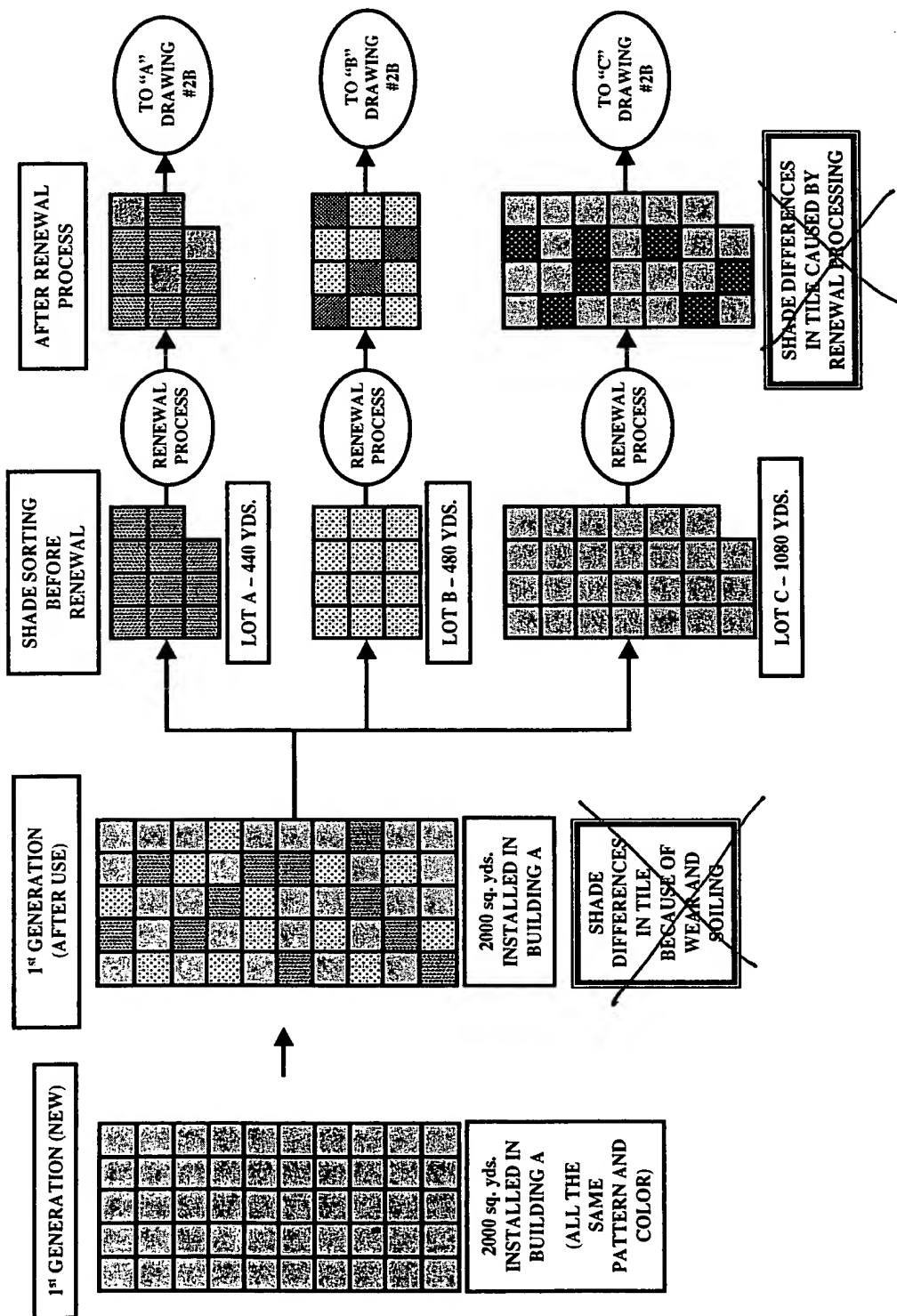


FIG. -2A-



Annotated Sheet

~~LIFE CYCLE OF CONVENTIONAL TILE (ALL SAME PATTERN AND COLOR) FROM USE AS A NEW PRODUCT THROUGH USE AS A RENEWED PRODUCT (CONTINUED)~~

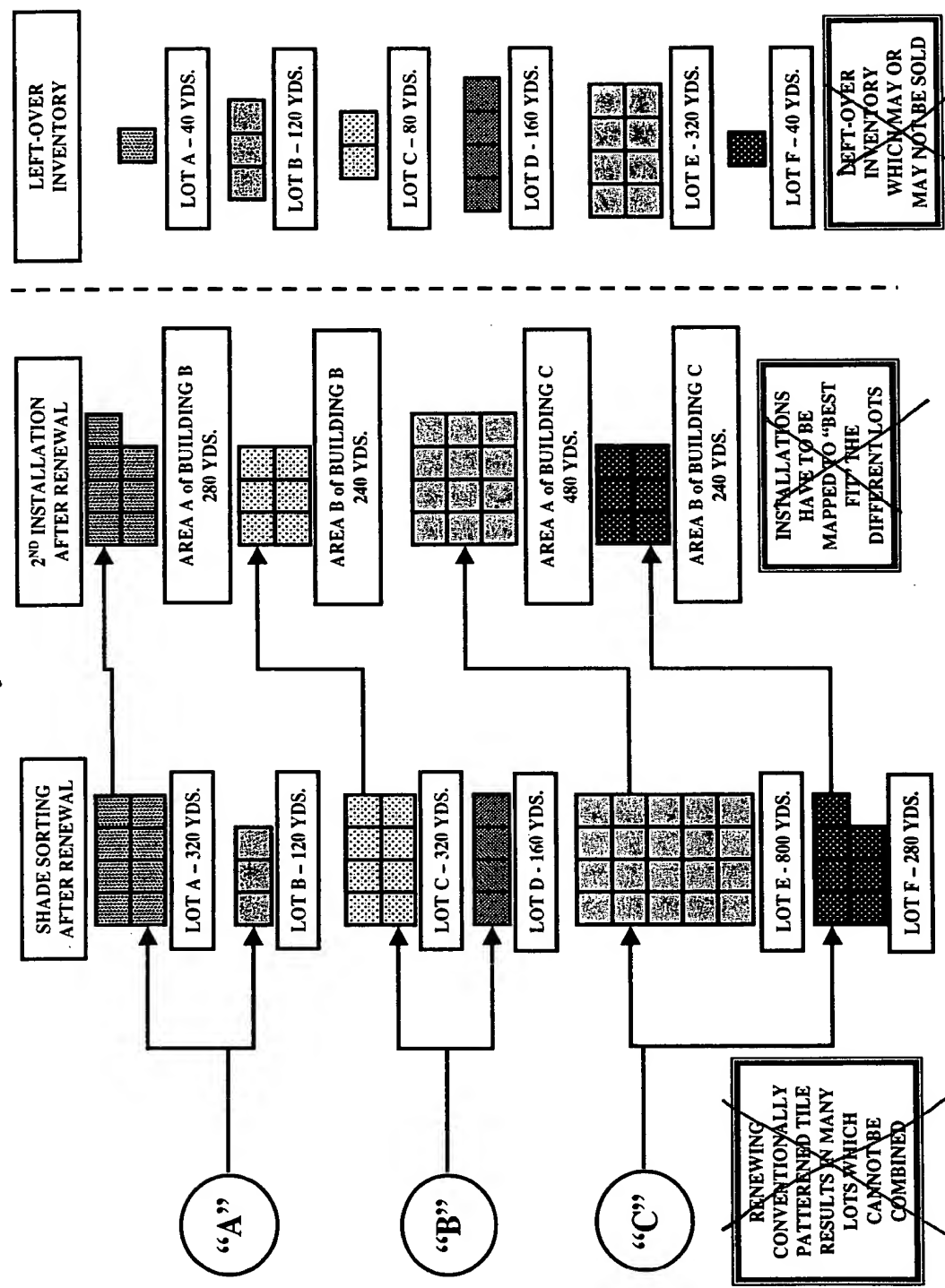


FIG. -2B-



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~~LIFE CYCLE OF THE INVENTION FROM USE AS A NEW
PRODUCT THROUGH USE AS A RENEWED PRODUCT~~

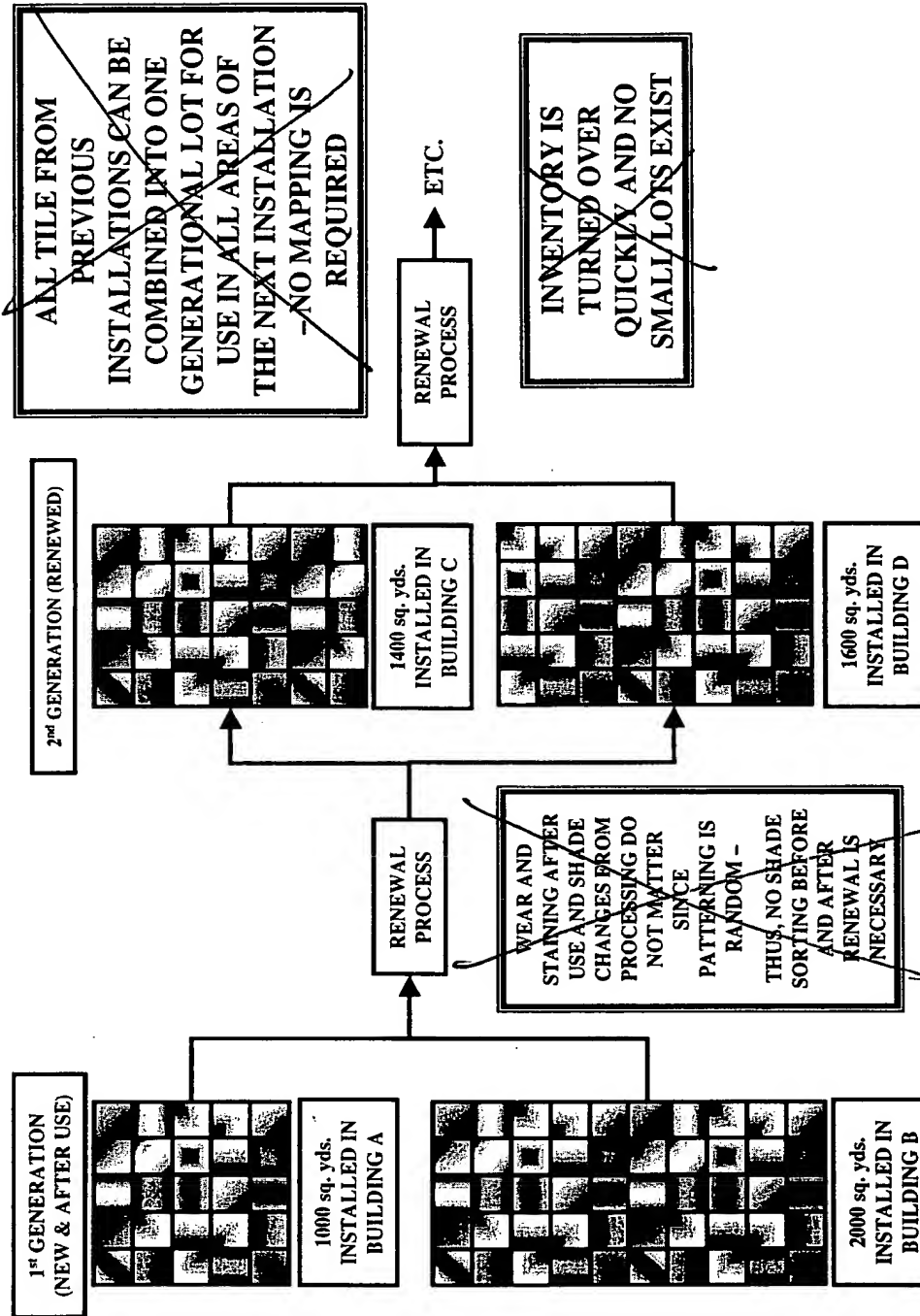


FIG. -3-

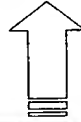
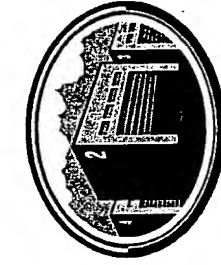
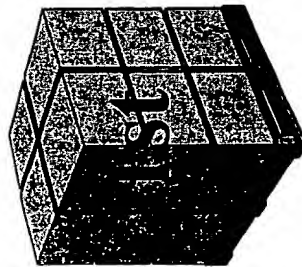
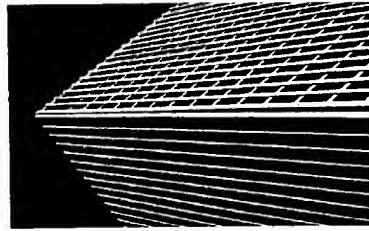
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Annotated Sheet

~~Washing of Leased Carpet (continued):~~

Two sets of tile are manufactured for one installation.



ONE COMPLETE SET
TO INSTALLATION

THE SECOND SET TO
WAREHOUSE

FIG. -4A-

FIG. -4B-



Annotated sheet

Washing of Leased Carpet (continued):

Before washing a "map" of the installation must be made.

After washing, tile must be replaced in its original location because of differences in wear and soiling over time.

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|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| 31 | 32 | 33 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 | 40 |
| 41 | 42 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 | 48 | 49 | 50 |
| 51 | 52 | 53 | 54 | 55 | 56 | 57 | 58 | 59 | 60 |

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INSTALLATION MAP TO MARK
POSITION OF EACH TILE

ALL TILE MUST BE NUMBERED
ON THE BACK

FIG. -5A-

FIG. -5B-

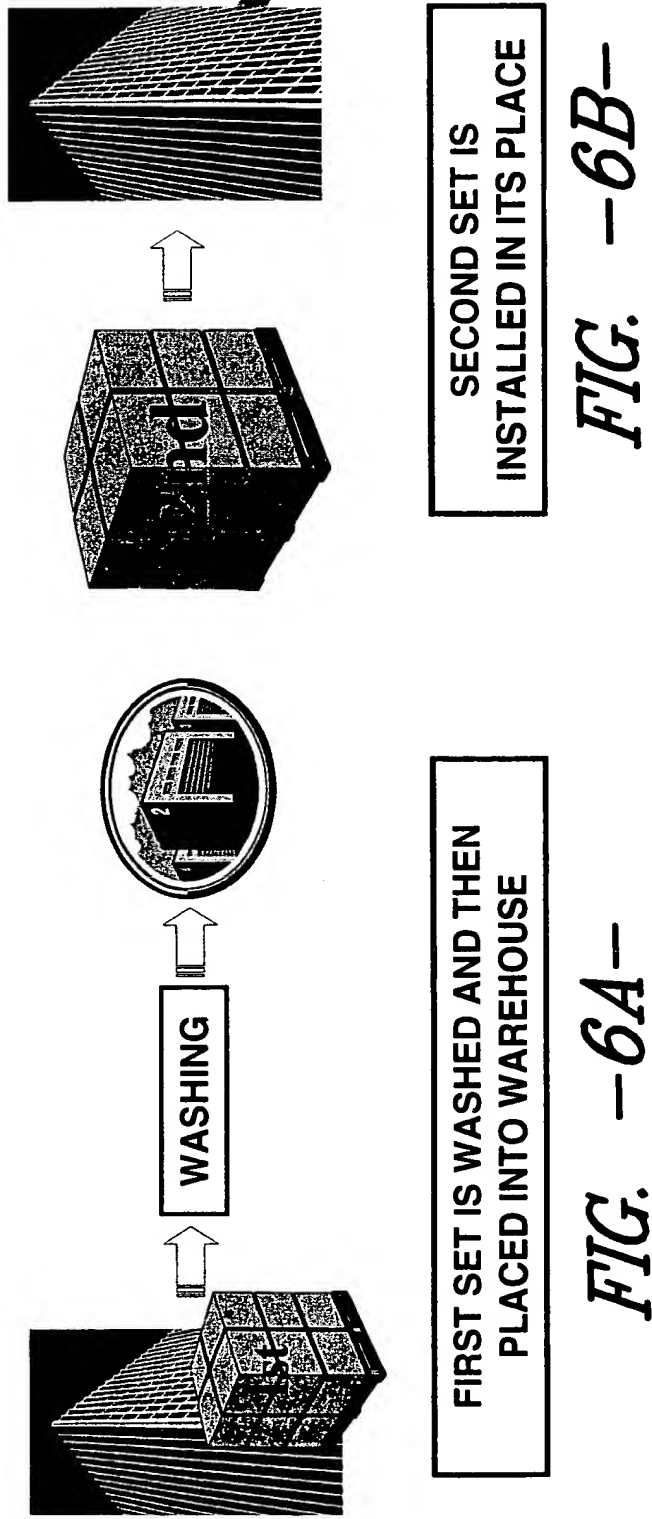


Annotated Sheet

Washing of Leased Carpet (continued):

After mapping the installation, the first set of tile is taken up, is then washed and placed in storage until it is needed again.

The second set of tile is installed in its place. The cycle begins again.



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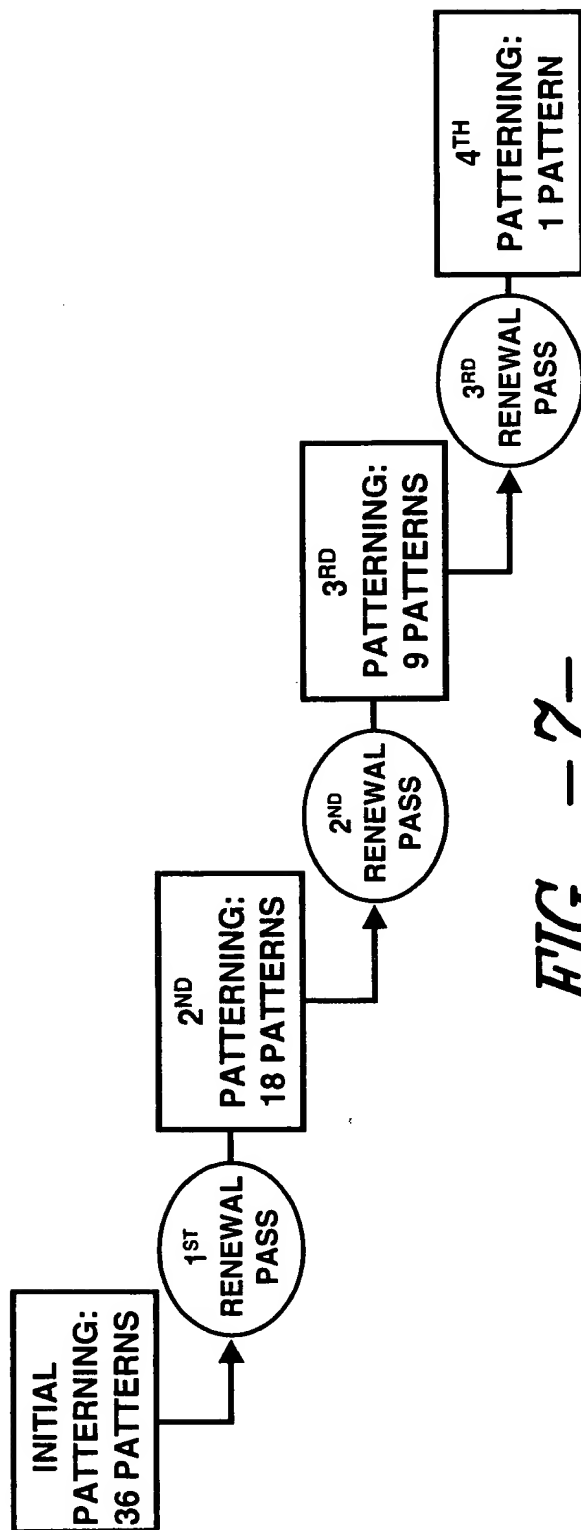


FIG. -7-



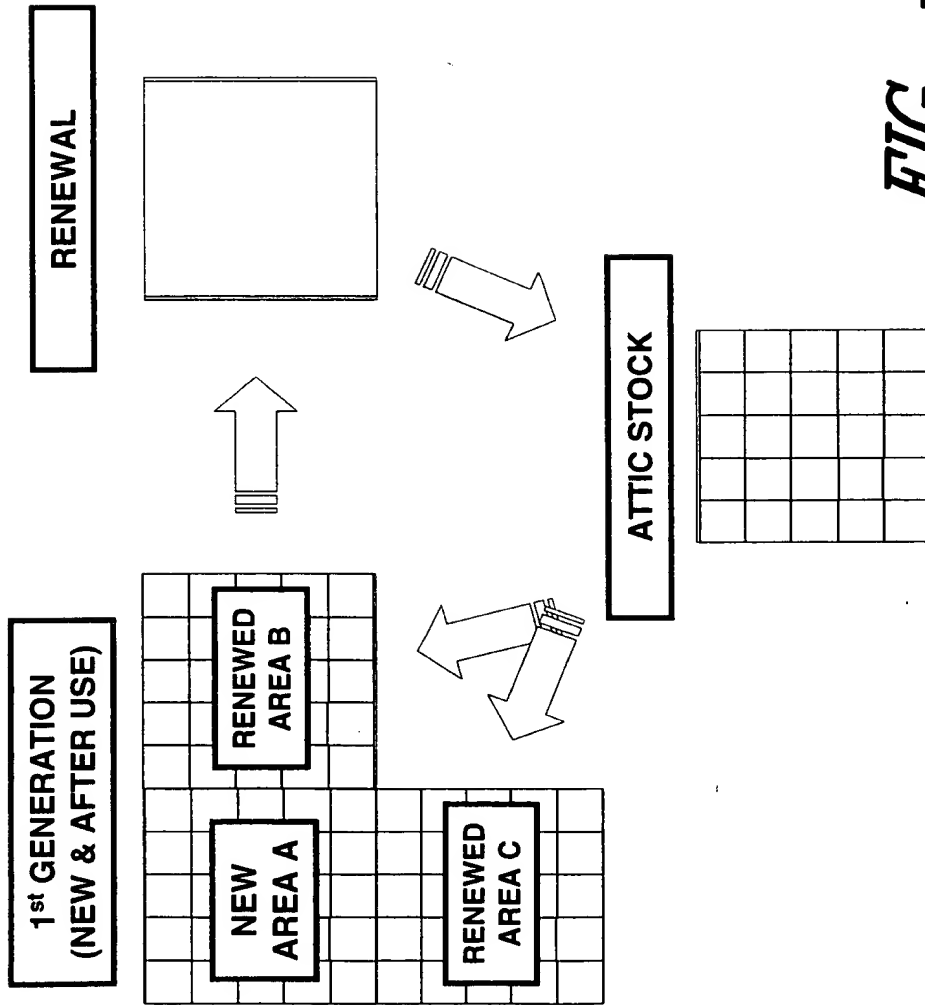


FIG. -8-

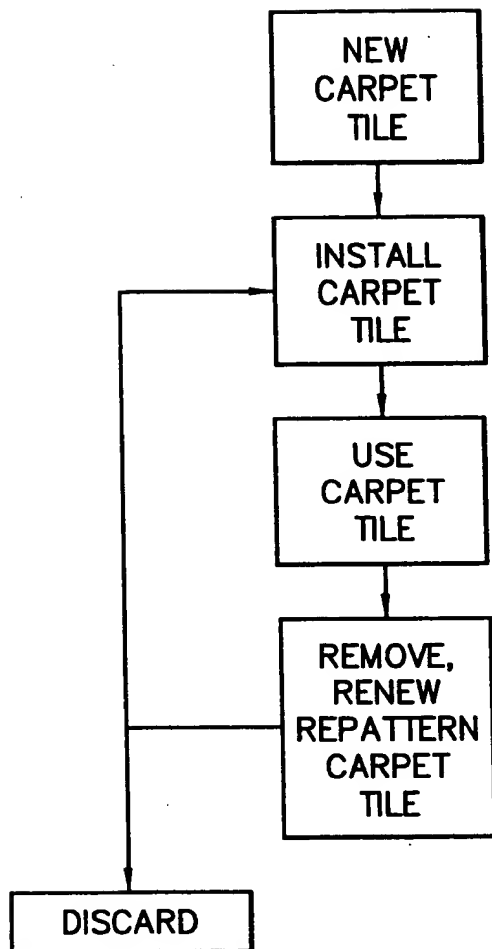


FIG. -9-

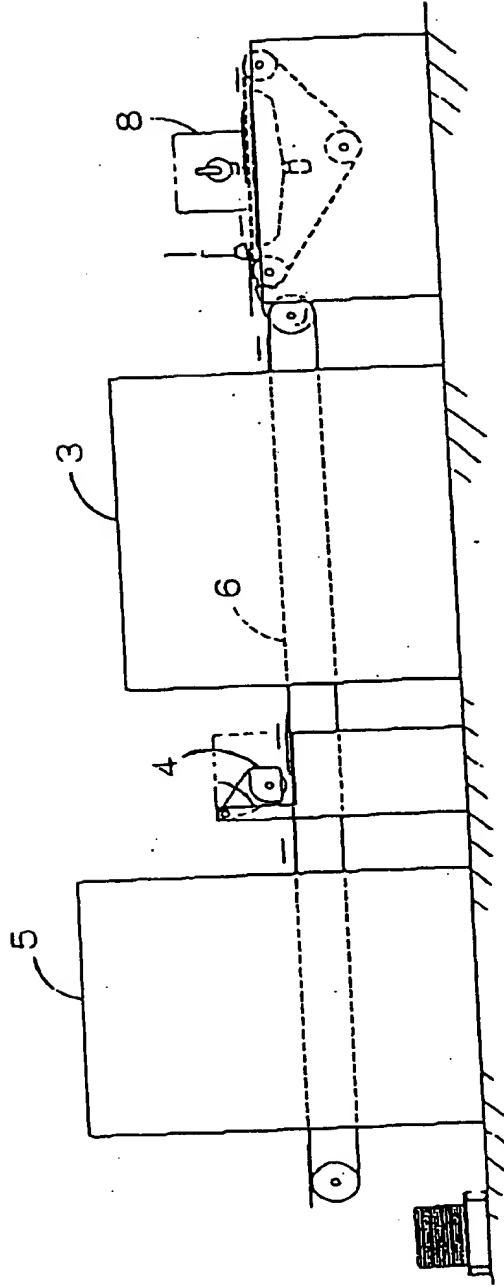


FIG. -10-